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July-August 2008

July & August Recycling Pick-Up Dates

July 8 & 9

July 22 & 23

August 5 & 6

August 19 & 20

From the Selectmen's Office

- Here are the waste tonnage figures for the month of May:

130.41 tons of mixed solid waste

25.55 tons of recycling

- The Selectmen are continuing their summer schedule. They meet on the first and third Tuesdays in the months of July and August.

Julie Stevens, Administrative Assistant

Latest from the Fire Station Committee

The Fire Station Building Committee met on June 16, 2008 and was pleased to have a number of residents in the audience providing ideas and input. The group is working hard to put together a proposal that will be acceptable to the residents while still meeting the needs of the fire department, emergency management, and ability to act as an evacuation center. The committee will meet again on July 21, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office and welcomes any residents who wish to attend.

Board of Selectmen

Notes for the Brentwood Voter

Tuesday, **September 2** - Supervisors Session
7-7:30pm at the Town Office.

Tuesday, **September 9** - **State Primary Election Day**
8:00am-7:00pm at the Brentwood Community Center.

Saturday, **October 25** - Supervisors Session
11-11:30am at the Town Office.

Tuesday, **November 4** - **General Election Day**
8:00am-7:00pm at the Brentwood Community Center.

A note for the voter re the State Primary. If you are a registered Republican, you will need to take a Republican ballot. If you are a registered Democrat, you will need to take a Democrat ballot. The cut-off date to change your political party was June 3. No party changes can be accepted after this date.

Residents who are registered Undeclared can take either a Republican or Democrat ballot and vote. In order to retain their undeclared status, they will need to see the Supervisors of the Checklist before they leave the voting place.

Meals for Seniors

Come join us for an hour... Enjoy Good Food, Good Company, and Good Times. A place to meet old and new friends -- and all for a suggested donation of \$2.00.

Meals on Wheels serves daily luncheons Monday through Friday at 11:30 for everyone 60 years and older. We are located at the First Baptist Church on the corner of North Road and Rte. 125.

We also provide transportation to and from the site (*subject to van availability*). Reservations are required and can be made by calling 679-4696. We would love to have you join us. You may also call to request a menu.

Amy Becker

TOWN OF BRENTWOOD On the Web: www.brentwoodnh.gov**TOWN CLERK and TAX COLLECTOR:**

Phone: 642-6400 X 14
 Monday-Thursday 9:00-4:30
 Tuesday evening 7:00-9:00
 Friday 8:30-4:00
 Saturday Closed

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

Phone: 642-6400 X 10 Fax: 642-6310
 Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:30
 Friday 9:00-1:00

MARY E. BARTLETT LIBRARY

Phone: 642-3355 E-mail: bartlettlibrary@comcast.net
 On the Web: www.brentwoodlibrary.org

Monday 2-7 Thursday 9-5
 Tuesday 9-5 Friday 9-1
 Wednesday 9-5 Saturday 9-1

Story Hours: Wednesday 10:30 – July only

SWASEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Phone: 642-3487
 Swasey School on the Web: <http://scs.sau16.org>
 SAU 16 on the Web: <http://www.sau16.org>

Willow Pond Community Farm

Willow Pond Community Farm will be offering several workshops this summer and fall, all open to the public:

July Cooking Workshop with chef Ted McCormack:
 "Salad Bar Packable Picnics; Healthy Meals On the Go."
 \$20 per person; Wednesday, **July 23, 4-6 P.M.**, Pilgrim Church, Middle Rd., Brentwood. To register, please e-mail farmer Kate: willowpondfarmer@yahoo.com.

Also: in August, Canning and Pickling Workshops,
 Wednesday, **Aug. 6 and Aug. 20, 4-6 P.M.**

For more information, please visit our website at www.willowpondfarm.org.

Joan Pratt, for the Core Group

Town Directory with Map Available

The June *Newsletter* included the annual **Town Directory** of officers, committees, and organizations. An **expanded version**, which includes a **map of the town**, is available for any resident who wants one, at the Town Clerk's or the Selectmen's office.

Two Local Destinations for Your Unwanted Clothing and Household Items

1. Third largest Freecycle™ group (3500 members) in New Hampshire:
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ExeterAreaFreeCycle/>

Congratulations to Joe White, who started and continues to manage this group.

2. Wonderland Thrift Shop, 96 Epping Road.
 Phone: 686-5313
www.wonderlandthrift.com.

Mailing Crew for June

Many, many thanks on behalf of the community to those in the Prescott/North/Middle Road area who came to prepare the June *Newsletter* for mailing: Lois Northrup, Thirza Northrup, Sally Lufkin, Jim McGean, Norman Wilson, Roger Rousseau, Pat Buxton, and Debbie Clark.

Linda Rousseau, Editor

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Business Card Directory: \$20 per insertion, available in April, September & December issues.

Business Article: \$100 half page, \$200 full page, available in any issue.

Deadline for September issue: Friday, Aug. 22

**Mail or bring your articles to Linda Rousseau, 90 Prescott Road, Brentwood, NH 03833,
 or e-mail to lindarou@rcn.com**

Brentwood Graduates

The Brentwood community congratulates all who have graduated from Exeter High School and all other institutions. Best wishes go with you in your future endeavors.

From Exeter High School and Seacoast School of Technology

Andrew Becker	Jeremy S. Kerins
Kelsey Blomquist	Sydney Anne Kerkhove
Sam M. Brenner	Matthew R. Kleinman
Vanessa Ann Brown	Jacob M. Lampert
Allison Mary Bryan	Brian Joseph Lawrence
Sean Patrick Butler	Kristin M. Lister
Rachael Marie Carreno	Miranda P. Lynch
Angela R. Case	Andrew D. Martin
Drew Stiles Case	David Stewart Meline
Nathan T. Chesno	Patrick Riley O'Keefe
Ashley Brooke Clark	James A. Palen
Katelynn Marie Clark	Kristopher David Perkins
Brian J. Cossette	Joseph Piecuch
Danielle Leigh Davis	Angela J. Santos
Katherine M. Davis	Kunj Shah
Geneva T. Evans	Patrick S. Standley
Sarah E. Faria	Arianna Marie Tatarczuk
Diane E. Fernald	Joshua G. Thom
Emily R. Foster	Darrian H. Thomas
Alexandra Frank	Rebecca D. Traverse
Kristen Marie Gaziano	Drew William VanderMale
Theresa R. Greene	Sarah E. Veilleux
Justin A. Hubbard	Phoebe M. Waldron
Samantha A.C. Isabelle	Erika M. West
Mark R. Jeffrey	Michael Gerald White
James M. Kavarnos	

James Palen – Anne Therese DeLaBruere Geanoulis Scholarship; Exeter Rotary Club Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship.

Kristopher Perkins – John Gaynor Memorial Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship.

Arianna Tatarczuk – Seacoast School of Technology/Exeter Lions Club Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship.

Phoebe Waldron – James Orr Memorial Scholarship.

Erika West – John Gaynor Memorial Scholarship; Arthur Tufts Family Scholarship; Exeter Hospital Associates Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship.

If there are any corrections or additions, we will be happy to announce them in the next issue. – Editor.

Graduates from Other Schools

Max Sullivan graduated with honors from Jesse Remington High School, Candia, NH on June 13. He will attend the University of Massachusetts at Lowell to major in Sound Recording Technology. He is the son of Jennifer Leonard and grandson of Edward and Sandra Leonard of Brentwood.

Natasha Tobin Raymond of Pickpocket Road graduated from Portsmouth Christian Academy on June 14 with High Honors. She was also inducted into the National Honor Society. She will attend Savannah College of Art & Design, Savannah, Georgia this fall, majoring in Computer Animation. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gary Raymond of Brentwood.

Scholarships – Exeter High School and Seacoast School of Technology

Sam Brenner – Bruce Ellis Memorial Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship; Exeter Rotary Club Scholarship; Arthur Tufts Family Scholarship.

Ashley Clark – Jean S. Tufts Memorial Scholarship; The Blue Polly Scholarship; Iraja Waris Anderson Memorial Scholarship; Arthur Tufts Family Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship; Exeter Education Association Scholarship.

Katherine Davis – Exeter Education Association Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship.

Diane Fernald – Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship; Exeter American Legion Post #32 Scholarship; Exeter Hospital Associates Scholarship.

Emily Foster – Lt. Michael Bennett Memorial Scholarship; Stephen P. Bell/Timothy A. Berll/Tricia Flynn Caley Memorial Scholarship; Exeter Rotary Club Scholarship; Lindon-Green Memorial Scholarship; Bruce Ellis Memorial Scholarship.

Historical Notes

Bus transportation for our high school students was voted into the school budget at the March 1977 School District Meeting. This was the first time that Brentwood had paid to transport their students to high school. Before that, parents had been responsible for getting their children there. [Elementary school children had been bused for many years.]

Swasey School hit the 21st century in 1982 when the first computer was received, with monies from a federal grant. The computer was shared by all classrooms on a 3 day rotating basis. During vacations it was taken to the Mary Bartlett Library for use by students and Brentwood citizens. [The high schools, of course, had computers well before the elementary schools. - Ed]

Brentwood 250th Program and Historical Souvenir, p. 49

Mary E. Bartlett Memorial Library

Summer is here, attention spans are justifiably short, so I will make this as brief as possible so everyone can just enjoy these lovely lazy days.

We are not being idle at the library as we have a terrific summer reading program which has already begun and the days are very busy here. Check out all the activities planned for "G'Day for Reading" and join in the fun.

The rest of this short missive is going to consist of thanks for the people who are so kind to the library and who make it the unique place it continues to be.

We had a large, stuffed lady given to us by Debbie Clark. Her granddaughter, Sophie, said that she was very happy to have the lady gone...she was not only stuffed, she looked pretty stuffy and Sophie said she "creeped her out."

We decided the lady needed a change of persona. Wendy Kennish offered to make her look like Miss Smith, a character from author and illustrator Michael Garland's wonderful children's picture books. She is a very hip teacher with red hair, red-framed eyeglasses, red beads, red high tops and an attitude to match. The only bits of the picture we are missing now are the red hightops. We are sure we will walk in some day and Miss Smith will be wearing a pair of spiffy red sneakers. So, thank you Wendy, for the truly innovative makeover.

There is now an authentic Japanese garden area as part of our Friendship Garden. Linda and Kevin Johnston arrived one day and installed a bamboo fence. Several days later, Linda returned with her daughter-in-law, Kaori Johnston and Kaori's father, Takeshi Sayama, who is visiting from Japan. They created a tranquil area with the careful use of the traditional elements, plants, stones and water. This is truly a friendship garden and will, we are sure, be enjoyed for many years. Thanks to the Johnstons and Mr. Sayama for creating such a lovely spot.

Our movie nights have become one of the most popular happenings at the library, and Sue Sutch ensured that we are legal for another year by being our generous movie license sponsor. She wants to be able to think about all of us enjoying our Friday Night Flicks and Ladies Nights at the Movies even though she will be in far away England.

Last thank-you from all of us at the library, but surely not least. . .an unknown person left a beautiful little fairy in our garden. She is absolutely perfect for the spot and is now surrounded by flowers planted by Joyce Keegal.

Marilyn Morehead, Library Director

Fourth of July Parade Participants

In spite of early morning rains, which cleared by parade time, Brentwood folks turned out in force to take part in the 23rd consecutive 4th of July parade since 1986. There was no official list of participants, but we'll do our best to give an idea of what there was to see:

Brentwood Police Department, 3 cruisers and the all-important color guard

Brentwood Fire-Rescue Dept., 5 vehicles manned by fire-rescue personnel and Explorers, plus the 1932 Chevrolet parade truck with Ladies Auxiliary members aboard

Swasey Swinging Stars jump rope group with their leaders

Brentwood Democrats, with a candidate-poster float, a beautiful banner, Uncle Sam on stilts, Miss Liberty, tiny donkey on wheels pulled by a sturdy small young lady, escorted front and back by Victor Schmalzer and Bob Gilbert on tractors

Cub Scout Pack 192, float with mountain and "Hike New Hampshire" theme, followed on foot by many scouts and leaders with hiking sticks

Brentwood Gardeners float "Still Growing Strong," full of fun, candy and surprise water spouts

Wellington Gardens, with beautiful flower filled float

Epping Auto's ATV "Logga Bogga"

Schreiber Family of Fremont, two handsome utility vehicles

Mike, Fabrication and Recovery – rugged ATV truck

George & Jill Whiteman, with Megan and George III, pulling two Junior Dragsters

Herrick family of Kinston and Brentwood in their 1941 Lincoln Continental

Doug Cowie in his dashing 1950 MG TD

Richard Tobin in his vintage VW bug

Families with golf carts, tractors, baby strollers, bikes, other wheels, and dogs -- all decorated for the 4th

Smith family – Ken, Paul and children on Ford tractors

Jackie Rose and Meghan Johnson, each on her horse

Rockingham Riding Club with their smart banner & great show of horses

Brentwood Historical Society

Historical Society Announces Two Fall Events

Antique Appraisal Day

Saturday, September 27, 10 am – 1 pm
at the Museum, 140 Crawley Falls Road
 Watch for an item at home you want to learn more about.

Vintage Vehicle Day

Saturday, October 18, 10 am – 1 pm
at the Museum, 140 Crawley Falls Road
 Coordinated by Doug Cowie, 642-4157

More details in the September Newsletter

Gladys Metcalf Ray was the guest speaker at the June meeting of the Historical Society. She was the last Master of Brentwood's Keeneborough Grange in the early 1980s, when the Brentwood group decided to end its long history as an outstanding, award-winning Grange chapter and turn the building it owned over to the care of the Historical Society and the town.

She reviewed the history, the purpose and activities of the nationwide Grange organization. She reminded the audience that many Grange chapters still exist today. An ongoing Grange project that may not be well known today is that of giving a dictionary to every third grade child.

After her talk everyone went up to the second floor. The main room on that level is being preserved as a typical Grange meeting hall, with the lecterns, desks and officers' chairs, the banners, antependia and other furnishings in the proper placement around the room. The members noted the fine stage with its velvet curtains and the excellent floor, which was the scene of many lively dances through the years.

The Historical Society officers for the coming year were elected at the business meeting before the program. The officers are: Alma Vahey, president; Theresa Sherry, vice-president; Albert Belanger, secretary; Frank Northrup, treasurer; Roger Brown, Linda Rousseau and Norman Wilson, board members. Norman Wilson serves as curator of the museum; Dorothy Rowe serves as refreshment chair for the meetings, and Linda Rousseau is program chair.

The museum is open during the regular meetings and special events of the Society, and by appointment by calling Norman Wilson at 772-6997. For other information and business matters call Alma Vahey at 679-8635.

Linda Rousseau for the Hist. Society

The Steeple Jacks Are Coming to Town

If you drive by the Pilgrim Church in the near future you will see men working high up. The Church, having a history that goes back to 1814, now has serious structural problems. Both the belfry and steeple, which make it the tallest building in Brentwood, are in need of costly repair. This is the same church steeple that appears, with the steeple of our sister church the First Baptist, on the town seal of Brentwood.

This is the church that also served as the location for Brentwood town meetings from the beginning of our history together up through the 1950s. It serves as a repository for some town records dating back to the 1700s. The only historical marker in Brentwood appears in front of the church. It was the town folks of Brentwood who decided to place two monuments, dedicated to those who served in two World Wars, on the lawn of the church.

All this makes this edifice truly a community treasure. If you know of any institution, business or citizen of Brentwood who could help us meet the financial aspects of this attempt to properly preserve this local landmark, please contact the Trustees of the Pilgrim Church. We need your help and are open to your ideas. The church office phone is 778-3189.

Pilgrim Church UCC

Historical Notes

In 1815 the present church was built. It "had galleries on three sides, 'elliptical' in form, with eighteen gallery pews. The singers in the gallery were led, according to custom, by several musical instruments. The pews were 'generally well filled.'" The same year the church also built the parsonage on one and one half acres given by Jabez Smith [now 171 Middle Road], using some of the materials from the old meeting house.

The following is an excerpt from a letter written by Mr. Edmond W. Sinnott, who was doing research on old churches and meeting houses preparatory to writing a book on the subject. "The building is unusual in having a square tower completely projecting from the front instead of being set part way back into it..."

In 1847 the church was remodeled... The upper floor was used for civic purposes and the lower floor for religious services.

From Brentwood's 225 Years, p. 11

Brentwood Recreation

☺ **THANK YOU** to all who volunteered for the Baseball programs this spring!! And all who played!! **PLEASE** email, write, or call me with your feedback, comments, or ideas for next season. I'd love to hear from you! I'm also working on exploring new programs and trips through the Rec, and would love to hear suggestions for the upcoming seasons.

☺ **THANK YOU** as well to all of our sponsors who donated money to help support the baseball programs. We rely heavily on your donations and appreciate very much your involvement in our community programs.

Water Country Discounted Tickets

Tickets are on sale at the Town Offices for \$25 each, a savings of \$9.99 per ticket! It'll be tough to find 'em any cheaper than this! With the price of gas going up and up, this is a great way to squeeze some fun in without breaking the bank. The tickets can be used any day that Water Country is open, and do not expire.

Red Cross Babysitters Course

The annual Babysitters Course will be held on August 5, 2008 9am-3pm at the BCC. Children must be 11 years old by the date of the class to participate. Cost is \$45.00 per child; bring a lunch and drink for the day. To sign up, either mail or drop off your check to the Recreation Department with your child's name, age, and telephone number. Class size is limited; signup deadline is July 30. Brochures are at the office with more details.



Play Soccer Camp

Play Soccer Camp dates this year are **July 14-18** and **July 28-August 1** at the Rec Fields.

☺ "Soccer Tots" ages 4-6 meet 5:30 to 7:00pm daily and the cost is \$75 for one week.

☺ "World Cup" ages 7-14 meet 9:00am to 12:00pm and the cost is \$105 for one week.

Discount if more than one child attends each week, or if one attends for both weeks! Brochures/registration forms are outside the Rec Office door, and also available online. Deadline for signups is July 7 for the first week and July 21 for the second week.

Interested in **hosting a Play Soccer Coach** for the week? Coaches are from all around the world, and stay with different families each week. It's easy, fun, and in return your child receives tuition to one week of the Brentwood camp for free! Help to make yours and theirs an experience to remember. Call Jessica or go online for more information. www.playsoccercamps.com.

Ladies Night Out

Every **second Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm**, ladies are invited to bring your favorite game to the Brentwood Community Center to enjoy some laid-back fun with friends... *free!* Call or email for more information.

Fall Soccer Program

Fall Soccer Signups are being accepted! Registration is for grades K-3; cost is \$35 per child, family maximum is \$70. Signup sheets are available outside the office, and must be received by 7pm on September 2. Games will be scheduled every Saturday morning starting September 6 and running as late into the fall as the weather will allow.

Soccer Coaches are needed! Please call or email Jessica to be placed on the list as a coach or assistant. Please do so early; we hope to have this program organized well before our start date. Mandatory Coaches meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday, September 3; we will pick teams and finalize the schedule at this meeting.

Soccer Snack Shack Coordinator/Volunteers Needed! The Snack Shack will be open on Saturday mornings for our Soccer program, and we need volunteers to help with this. Please contact me via email or phone, even if you can only volunteer for one Saturday morning! Proceeds of this Snack Shack help maintain the fields in the beautiful shape that they are currently in!

HaLIOWEeN: Committee Chairperson/Members Needed!

Planning will begin in August for Halloween, and we do hope to make it a good one this year; the more volunteers we have, the better it will be! A Halloween Committee is being organized to plan the events; email or call the office if you're interested. Likewise, if you wish to volunteer for only the event itself, please let us know.

A reminder that the *Playground* is scheduled to be installed at the Recreation Fields on Saturday, July 12. Volunteers are always welcome.

Jessica M. Pimental, Recreation Director
642-6400 ext. 20
recreation@brentwoodnh.gov

**Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays 8:30am-1:30pm;
Tuesdays 12-8:30pm**

From Your State Representative

On June 4 the year's last regular session of the legislature lasted from 1:00 in the afternoon until about 6 pm, with the House and Senate acting upon bills that came to them from conference committees. Bills receiving a favorable vote by both chambers were later sent to Governor Lynch for signature. The most important of those that were taken up included (an asterisk shows on which side I voted):

HB 1645: The bill to reform the retirement system cleared the Senate on a 23-0 vote and the House 303*-27. When signed into law, the bill will hold down cost increases for municipalities from 50 percent to 15 percent, ensure compliance with IRS guidelines, and send extra money to older and poorer retirees. There will be no cut in current retirees' benefits. A proposal in the House version of the bill to increase the retirement age of police and firefighters from 45 to 50 was dropped in conference committee negotiations.

HB 1642: By a clearly bipartisan voice vote, the House passed a compromise on the amount of money to fund public charter schools. The amount was less than the funding originally provided by the House bill but avoided cutting funding entirely and thereby will keep the schools going. The Seacoast charter school is among the six schools affected.

HB 1640: This bill will add new classification and registration requirements for convicted sex offenders. It also provides that they must give DNA samples for inclusion in an FBI database. But as drafted HB 1640 would have required many adult and juvenile non-sex offenders whose crimes weren't violent to provide DNA samples. Republican representative Neil Kurk argued that because inclusion in the FBI data base would be for lifetime, it would have a devastating effect on the lives of juvenile offenders and would apply to persons convicted of offenses such as shoplifting goods valued at more than \$500. He led an effort that defeated the bill by a 165* to 154 vote and replaced it with an amendment maintaining the provisions affecting sex offenders but eliminating the DNA sampling of categories of non-sexual, non-violent offenders.

On June 11 Governor Lynch signed **HB 1434**, a bill passed earlier by the House and Senate which is aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions. New Hampshire now becomes part of a cooperative agreement by ten northeastern and Mid-Atlantic States to reduce carbon dioxide pollution by power plants. It involves setting reductions on overall emissions and using a market-based cap and trade incentive system for fossil-based power plants.

Legislation designed to protect children from online predators and child pornographers is spelled out in SB 495, referred to as the Online Child Safety Act. The bill contains penalties for distributing pornography that involves images of children up to age 18.

A bill, **SB 482**, that would have watered down current ethics laws regarding lobbyists was defeated in a roll call vote, 124 ayes, 204* nays. Representative Jim Splaine made an eloquent case to retain current filing and reporting requirements for lobbyists and restrictions on their participation in commissions or boards established by the governor or the legislature.

After I was elected last November one thing I had in mind to look into was childhood obesity, a problem in New Hampshire just as it is throughout the country. I learned that Swasey School teachers and administrators are alive to the problem and have instituted measures to address it. Obesity does not seem to be a problem there. As far as the state is concerned, legislation regarding childhood obesity, HB 1422, was introduced in 2007 and passed this year. I was surprised, though, that instead of proposing an action plan, it establishes a commission on the prevention of childhood obesity. That's a good first step, I suppose, but why has it taken so long to only begin to get at such a pressing health problem?

After the close of the regular session, House Speaker Terri Norelli started to open a special session, which the governor and Executive Council had called for. Republicans fought the rules change that would enable it to begin. Debate and parliamentary maneuvering went on for over three hours and included a walkout by most Republicans. After they returned, a motion to introduce the special session passed by a 178*-109 roll call vote. To help avert a possible budget deficit in the event of a revenue shortfall, the bill authorizes up to \$80 million in bonds to cover school building, and requires the Pease Development Authority to repay some \$10.5 million it owes the state. The bill also provides for relocating the Stratham community college campus to Pease International Tradeport. Republicans denounced passage of a bill that did not go through the usual committee process and public hearings. Some Democrats (myself included) were unhappy that a special session was resorted to, but voted for the bill as necessary to maintain a balanced budget.

As midnight approached, debate finally ended and Special Session HB-1 passed by a roll call vote of 178*-125. It was sent to the Senate, which quickly endorsed it. As a first-term representative, I found the night to be interesting, at times wearying, at times entertaining. But the big reward was to learn that for attending the special session, my \$100 annual salary would be increased three dollars (before taxes).

Don Petterson

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Achievements

Catherine Anderson, a rising sophomore at Washington & Lee University, Lexington, Virginia, was been named to the Dean's List and Honor Roll for all 3 semesters of her Freshman year. She is a member of Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society and is majoring in English with a minor in Latin American and Caribbean Studies. She is the daughter of William and Susan Anderson of Dudley Road.

Conan Shaw Sang, 8th grade student at the Cooperative Middle School, was recently recognized by the Johns Hopkins Univ. Center for Talented Youth program. He was among the highest scoring (mathematics and verbal) SAT participants in the state of New Hampshire during the 2008 academic year. Other awards received in recent months: the DaVinci Team Award for extreme creativity on vehicle and obstacle design at the Destination ImagiNation Global Finals at the Univ. of Tennessee; member of the 1st place team in the Seacoast Mathcounts Competition; the Thomas Meehan Achievement Award for setting the highest standards for academic achievement; and the Perfect Score Award on the NECAP test. This summer he plans to travel abroad to study foreign language and international culture. His parents are Jennifer Fan and Fred Sang of Flanders Drive.

Resident Seeks Transportation to the Exeter Train Station

To the Editor:

I am a working woman who lives in Brentwood and commutes to Boston.

There will be one week in the month of August when I will need to make arrangements with a driver or drivers for transportation from Brentwood to the Exeter train station at 7:00 am. I will be glad to split the cost of the gas. I need to ask any interested person to call me weekdays at my work number, 617-626-7498, and leave your name and number, and I will reimburse you for the call.

Elaine Smoody

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy and friendship are extended to the family of Wayne A. King of Scrabble Road, who died on Tuesday, June 3. A resident of Brentwood for a number of years, Mr. King was a U.S. Army veteran of the Vietnam War and a member of the Exeter American Legion Post. He owned and operated King Construction Co.

The COAST Beach Bus

The Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation is operating a bus route this summer from our area to the Hampton Beach and North Beach area. This will be on **Saturdays and Sundays** from July through the Hampton Seafood Festival on September 6-7.

Although there are no stops in Brentwood, the route will have 2 stops in Epping, at Epping Wal-Mart and Epping Park & Ride. Passengers will be able to board and exit approximately every quarter mile along the route, which is primarily along Route 27 from Exeter to Hampton Beach, then Ocean Boulevard to Hampton Beach. The bus will also make stops in downtown Exeter and Hampton. Beach stops are at North Beach and Hampton Beach across from the Casino Ballroom.

Passengers boarding and exiting within the same town will pay \$1 per trip. Passengers riding out of town will pay \$3. Seniors, disabled riders and passengers with a valid Medicare card can ride for half the cash fare. **There is a lift for disabled passengers.** One resident who took the bus on the first day, July 5, said the drivers are very courteous and friendly.

There is so much information on the web site that residents are urged to refer to it. – www.coastbus.org. Or call 743-5777.

As an example, we will list the schedule starting from Epping and heading eastbound to Hampton Beach

Epping Wal-Mart	8:00	9:30	12:00	2:00	4:00
Epping Park&Ride	8:07	9:37	12:07	2:07	4:07
Arriving at:					
Hampton Beach, Ocean Blvd.	8:55	10:25	12:55	2:55	4:55

Heading westbound from Hampton to Epping the schedule is:

Hampton Beach, Ocean Blvd.	10:30	1:00	3:00	5:00	6:30	8:30
Arriving at:						
Epping Wal-Mart	11:15	1:45	3:45	5:45	7:15	9:15

There are several ways to print out the schedules from the web site.

The web site mentions these are approximate times and passengers should be at these stops at least five minutes early. **Drivers do not make change. You have to have the right cash.**

The bus allows baby strollers that can be folded, and it has a bicycle rack on the front that can handle two standard bicycles only. Look at the web site for more on this, or call 743-5777.

Linda Rousseau

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 10 **Becky Graber**, storyteller & musician – 10:30 am, Bartlett Library
July 12 Playground installation at the Recreation fields
July 14 School Board – 6:00 pm, Swasey School
July 15 Selectmen's meeting – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
July 16 **Wildlife Encounters** – 10:30 am, Bartlett Library
July 17 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
July 21 **Little Red Wagon**, "Ugly Duckling"—6:00 pm, Bartlett Library
Fire Station Building Committee – 7:00 pm, Town Office
July 22 Recreation Commission – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building
- Aug. 4 Trails Committee – 7:00 pm, Town Office
Firemen's Association – 7:30 pm, Fire House
Aug. 5 Selectmen's meeting – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building
Aug. 6 Cemetery Trustees – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building
Aug. 7 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
Aug. 11 School Board – 6:00 pm, Swasey School
Aug. 13 Conservation Commission – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
Ladies Night Out – 7-9 pm, Brentwood Community Center
Aug. 18 Library Trustees – 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library
Aug. 19 Selectmen's meeting – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office
Aug. 21 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building
Aug. 26 Recreation Commission – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building
- Sept. 2 Selectmen's meeting – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building
Sept. 3 Cemetery Trustees – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building
Sept. 4 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building

The public is welcome at all above events

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